# Verona Senior Citizens Commission January 12, 2016 Meeting Minutes

**Call to Order:** The meeting was called to order at 6:05 PM.

Roll Call: Brad Stiner, Mac McGilvray, Luke Diaz, Dave Hardy, Mary Hanson

**Approval of Minutes of December 2015 Meeting:** Motion to approve by Diaz, seconded by McGilvray, approved, 3-0.

## **Director's Report:**

Program Jennifer Miller submitted her resignation effective March 15, 2016.

MATC has added three classes in 2016: Beading, Digital Devices, and Painting for Pleasure, in addition to the knitting class that is currently held here.

A six part series on Cancer will start in February.

A Low Vision Support Group has been started.

The building was rekeyed on Jan. 7.

The stage designed by UW engineering students is scheduled to be built on Jan. 30<sup>th</sup> by a group of volunteers led by Eagle Scout candidate Tyler Romney. (Note: this was later cancelled and rescheduled for March 5.)

Elimination of cash prizes for Euchre games seems to have resolved many of the recent conflicts and led to a more enjoyable experience for all while still retaining a large group of participants.

A meeting will be held on Feb. 5 to get input from seniors on how to use the \$4000 that the Senior Commission added to the 2016 budget for additional transportation options.

On Feb. 12, we will give an update on the Senior Center with a review of 2015 and a preview of 2016.

On Feb. 15, audiologist Veronica Heide will be here to explain how to use the Tcoil system.

# **Dementia Friendly Community Report**

The Verona Dementia Friendly Community Steering Committee met Wed. December 8 at the Verona Senior Center. In attendance were Brad Stiner, Le Jordan, Mary Hanson, Steve Rudolph, and Joy Schmidt from the Aging and Disability Resource Center (ADRC). Le has agreed have the Chamber host a "Lunch & Learn" to train Chamber members on how to be Dementia Friendly. The next Steering Committee meeting is Jan. 13. No new business trainings are scheduled at this time.

# **Case Management Report December 2015**

Office/home visit total: 34

Home delivered meals total: 301

Congregate meal total: 671

*Groups:* Caregivers support group Parkinson's support group, Veterans group – Dane County Sherriff's office bailiff as guest, Grief group

**Training or outreach meetings:** TRIAD, Hours at the local senior housing buildings – Sugar Creek, Prairie Oaks II & Evia. Delivered Christmas bags from local Church to seniors in the community, joint outreach with Dane County Elder abuse, Outreach with ADRC of Dane Co.

## **Program Report December 2015**

December outreach: Lunch at the Library, Lunch in the Community, Verona Chamber Young Professional (VYP) meeting.

Participation by Gender: 69% Female, 31% Male

Participation by Age:

Under 60: 3% Ages 60-64: 5% Ages 65-69: 16% Ages 70-74: 19%

Ages 75-79: 18% Ages 80-84: 16% Ages 85 +: 23% Participation by Location: City of Verona: 64% Out of Town: 36%

Volunteers Hours Recorded: 478

December Event Sign-ins: 1917 Unduplicated sign-ins: 369 Event occurrences in December: 209 Special December programs: Presentation by weatherman Gary Cannalte, Medieval Christmas Presentation, Mrs. Dickens Presentation, Chili Supper/Tree Lighting, Cookie Decorating, Winter Solstice event, Retro Swing Band, Birthday/Anniversary Party with Skip Jones; and a New Year's Eve party with Big Band music by Al Anderson.

## **Financial Update**

As of Dec. 31, 2015, we have completed 100% of the year, and have spent 89% of our budget. There are some year-end bills yet to receive, but we will certainly be under budget.

#### **VAAA Report**

Dave Hardy will submit the VAAA report.

Meeting Adjourned: Motion by Stiner, seconded by McGilvray, meeting adjourned 6:40 PM.

Submitted by Mary Hanson, Director, Verona Senior Center